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Proposed Modification of Class D Airspace; Mount Clemens, MI

This letter is in response to the above captioned NPRM for the expansion of Selfridge ANGB's Class D airspace.

I am a Certified Flight Instructor based at Ray Airport (57D). I have approximately 25 years of experience in general aviation matters.

The above referenced proposal should not be approved under any circumstances. The proposal fails to clearly disclose the horizontal size of the proposed airspace. The only horizontal size reference is "6.6-mile radius". The unit of measure, be it nautical or statute miles, was not specified. This fact renders the proposal ambiguous.

This ambiguity was discovered when I consulted with the ATC facility involved. They claimed their facility needs 6.6 statute miles and that the default unit of measure for class D airspace is statute miles. However, 14 CFR 71.7 states airspace is described in nautical miles.

Due to the fact that the proposal's wording is ambiguous, any and all comments received on this topic could be in error. Additionally, other comments may not have been submitted because the reader did not have a correct picture of the proposed airspace.

Without receiving proper public comments on this topic, the only reasonable regulatory decision is to not approve the proposal. If the proposal is corrected and republished it could then be properly considered for comment(s).

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

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